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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

3-11-77 Auth. gr. for on-the-mir I.D. as: "Murphysboro-Carbondale, Illinois"

Date first licensed September 22, 1972.

Call letters WTAO

Station location Murphysborg, Lilings.

Name of licensee Sunshine Broadcasting Corporation

Received the Reservation

Transmitter location

Old Route 13, and Illinois 127, Just southeast of Murphysboro, Illinoi

New Hwy. 13 & Country Club Rd., 1.5 mi. E. of Murphysboro, Ill. CP6-29-79

Main studio location

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl	Date	The same		Time	Period
No.	Issued	Freq.	Power	Div.	From To
BPH-7260(L HAAT: 2	) 11-11-7 00' CP fo	1 104. r new F	ERP: Station	45kw	11-11-72
BPH-7260(1)				asigned.	
BLH-5553(L)	9-29-72	Lic.(BP	-7260)	for new st	ation 12-1-73
BPH-8702(L)	12-12-73	104.9mh #285	ERP:	2.90kw(h&	7) 12-12-74
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BPH79051 HAE	6-29-79	CP chg.	SL & RO	₹ ERF	
BPH790511/AE	6-29-79	CP chg. 104.9	51. & RC 3kw 200	H&V RC	6-29-80
BRH79051 LAE	6-29-79	CP chg. 104.9	51. & RC 3kw 200	H&V RC	
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BPH790511/AE	6-29-79	CP chg. 104.9	51. & RC 3kw 200	H&V RC	6-29-80

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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call WTAO Letters WEN-FM

Name Sunshine Broadcasting Corporation
Murphysboro, Illinois (PO RFD #2, Murphysboro, Illinois 62966)

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	File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature .	Date	
#	BPH-7260 R & F 629936 \$100 CODE: 013 PRESS: PN REC d:	9-10-70 9-15-70 9-15-70 EP 28 1970 10-5-70		DE IGNATED A		
	AMENDED:		2	GRANT FRE	11-11-71 Trant fee PAID: 2, W-032268	
	AMENDED	12-1-70 3-17-71	Section IV-A. Section II.			
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Murphysboro, Illinois

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File No.  BLH-5553 Rec'd W 087496-\$50. AC-068 LTD PTA Amended & F PTA ext.  PRESS  BRH-2746 R & F	Dated 6-27-72 6-30-72 7-11-72 7-19-72 8-21-72 SEP 1 1972 8-20-73 9-4-73	Application for  Lic.(BPH-7260) as mod.) for New FM Broadcas Station. T. EL: Reute 2, Box 165. Transmit RCA, BTF-1D(Stereo)-Antenna: JAMPRO, JA 3B, 3-sects.(H). to 8-10-72 Antenna type Atty: Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe(Erwin G.	t OFLANTE	
R & F PN Recd. PRESS	9-4-73 " 9 SEP 1973	F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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Name Sunshine Broadcasting Corporation
Murphyshore, Illinois

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File No.	Dated	- Application for	Nature	Date
BPH-8702 Rec'd Filed #243387 \$50 Code 057 Press DEC 7	10-5-73 10-18-73 11-19-73 10-17-73	CP to install new trans. (CCA FM-3000DS); install new ant. (Gates FMC-2A, 2 sects. (Hachg. TPO; ERP: 2.91KW(H&V) and add circular polarization to HAAT.  Atty: Erwin G. Krasnow(Kirkland, Ellis & Rose	GRANTED (V);	
BLH-6469 Rec'd W 342457-\$50. Amended & F PTA PRESS	9-4-74	Lic.(BPH-8702)-Changes. ERP: 2.9kw -Atty:Kirkland, Ellis & Rowe(E. G. Krasnow) to show cor. ERP.	GRANTED	1-22-75
BRH-2746  R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-15-76 8-2-76 AUG 1 3 197	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Erwin G. Krasnow, Atty.  AMENDED 10-4-76 re: balance sheet  P.G.C. WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED	11-15-76

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Call Letters W T A O

Name SUNSHINE BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Murphysboro, lilinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	otion Date
Ltr. dated R & F PRESS	11-24-76 11-24-76 DEC 3 1976	Filed by John C. Quale, Esq. for Sunshine Broadcasting Corp. Request for Dual City Identification as: Murphysboro-Carbondale, Illinois.	GRANTE	3-11-77
BPH790514AE PRESS (0)		CP to change SL & add RC at: New Highway 13 at Country Club Road, Murphysboro, Illinois chg. TL to: Rt. 5, Box 286, Murphysboro, Illinois; incre. ERP: 3kw (H) & decre. HAAT: 198.3' (H).  Atty. James R. Bayes (Kirkland & Ellis)	GRANTEI	6-29-79
BRH790801UB PRESS AUG Z		Renewal of License  Atty.: John C. Quale	GRANTED	1-30-79

Call Letters: WTAO

Name: SUNSHINE BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Station Location: Murphysboro, Illinois

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
FORM 314 PRESS AUG 0 5 1		Vol AL to WTAO, Inc.  Atty Barry D. Wood Eugene T. Smith	
			Form BC-121 March 1979

#### **About the History Cards ...**

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

